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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: METHOD AND PLANT FOR THE HEAT  
TREATMENT OF SOLIDS CONTAINING  
IRON OXIDE

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir:

## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated September 19, 2008, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.